As this is our first newsletter for the year, I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you and extend our best wishes for 2016. I particularly want to extend a warm welcome to our new students and their families. This year, we have enrolled 11 new students. The new students are - Anas Sabah, Trung Nguyen, Laura Tran, Sevrin Grimaldi, Christian and Maria Koukos, Laylah Mazzeo, Kayden Hoong, Vinaya Ramkumar, Steven Le and Nahwed Dadyar. With the additional enrolments, our school will remain at 12 classes.

I am pleased to inform you that most of our students are happy to be back at school and are getting back into routines and structure of the school environment. Our new students are doing well but obviously they will need more time to become familiar with the school environment.

Working with you as partners in Education
We look forward to a regular and ongoing communication with you through school newsletter (every fortnight), meetings at school, school community events and student’s communication diary.
We also look forward to your participation and your contribution at our scheduled Educational Planning meetings and community events including Harmony day and sporting carnivals. Full details will be forwarded to you regarding these events.

One of our important priorities is to ensure that our school is safe and secure and our students are engaged in learning. As partners in education, I would ask for your cooperation and support in the following areas:

- Please ensure that students attend school regularly and on time (by 9.00 am).
- If you are arriving late or picking up your child early, please report to the office first and the office staff will inform your child’s teacher of your arrival.
- If you transport your child to and from school please report to the teacher/s on duty in the bus bay (Drop off by 9.00 am and pick up from 2.50 PM).
- If your child uses “contracted transport” please ensure that you and the driver have exchanged phone numbers. Always inform the driver if your child is not going to school.
- If your child is absent from school, please ring the school and send in a note or return the absent note that the teacher will send home.
- To minimise disruption to learning we ask all parents to make appointments to see the teachers. However, I am available to meet with you and discuss any issues of concern.
- Please use the school communication diary to communicate with school staff in regard to your child’s news, needs and other important information.
- By now you would have received requests from your child’s teacher to complete important documents such as a health care plan (if needed), emergency contact information and consent forms. Please return the information requested so we can meet your child’s needs.
Please find below a list of Les Powell school staff for 2016:

**School Team Leaders for 2016**

**Team Leader** - Michael Jaftha, classes 6M, 7D, 11C & 12H

**Team Leader**- Andres Oyarzun, classes 1F, 5M, 9A and 10J

**Team Leader** - Louise Melville, classes 2L, 3V, 4C and 8G

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**Relief Teacher** – Michael Jaftha

**School Counsellor** - Julianne Wallace

**Library** - Garry Gillett

**Community Liaison officer** – Denise Bugeja

**Swimming & Hydrotherapy** - Sharon Rutherford

**Office Staff:**  
Vicki Landsberry - Monday to Friday  
Maria Lavorato - Mon, Tue and Wed

**Mr Sargon Makko**  
**Principal**
Welcome back everyone, and a special welcome to our new students and their families. I hope that everyone had a nice, relaxing holiday break and that you’re ready for 2016. There are a lot of plans in the works for Term 1. The first of which, is our staff and parent Meet and Greet on Thursday 11th February 2016. A morning tea will be provided for your enjoyment. This is a good opportunity to meet your child’s teacher, become familiar with your child’s class mates and meet other parents. I look forward to meeting our new parents and welcome them to our great school. Harmony Day 2016 is also coming up in March. Flyers will be sent out shortly.

With the National Disability Insurance Scheme rolling out in western and south western Sydney in July 2016, there are a number of workshops being advertised by various agencies. I encourage you to attend one of these workshops as the information and resources supplied are designed to help you get the best outcome for the person you care for and for yourself. I will also endeavour to provide information via the newsletter as I receive it.

A reminder to parents that my role is to help students/parents/carers to establish links between school and community resources. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. This is a free and confidential service. I AM HERE FOR YOU

Denise Bugeja
Phone: 9821-1711
Mobile: 0407957715
Email: denise.bugeja@det.nsw.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP
Don’t forget, if you need any new uniforms, you can simply complete a uniform order and send it back to school. I will phone you when the order is ready to be collected and paid for.

A reminder though, that winter uniforms will not be available until the end of Term 1 as the manufacturer has no stock of these items.

We also have an number of good quality second hand uniforms available for free.

DIARY DATES
11th February:
Parent Meet & Greet/Morning Tea

February:
Parent Excursion—Food Taste Tour

March:
Harmony Day Celebrations
**Support Planning Workshop**

Come and join us for an interactive session of support planning to prepare you to meet with an NDIS planner in the future.

- What Supports do I have now?
- What things are working well for me?
- Are my current supports meeting my need?
- What would I like to change?

**Venue:** Family & Community Services (ADHC)
Level 1, 6 Lithgow Street, Campbelltown

⏰ **10am – 12pm**

**Register Now:** RSVP: 17 February 2016

*(Please specify which session you wish to attend)*

📞 **Call:** 02 4629 1600 and ask to speak to a person from the South Western Sydney Individualised Options Team

✉️ **Email:** direct.paymentssws@facs.nsw.gov.au
DISABILITY PARKING UPDATE
LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL

At our Mayoral morning tea in 2015 as discussion was had with the Mayor of Liverpool, Mr. Ned Mannoun about increasing the number of disabled parking spaces close to the entrance of Liverpool Hospital. I am pleased to advise that I have received a letter from Mr. Mannoun stating that he has requested that Council investigate additional disabled parking spaces along the section of College Street, outside the TAFE building. A report on the investigation will be presented to the Liverpool Local Traffic Committee at its next scheduled meeting and subject to the outcome, the request additional spaces could be installed as early as February 2016.

If you require more information, you can contact Council’s Service Manager, Traffic and Transport, Mr. Charles Wiafe on 9821 9122.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As you are all aware, last year Les Powell School celebrated its 30th Anniversary. As part of the Anniversary celebrations we held a Signature Paver Fundraiser. More of the pavers have just been delivered and we are seeking volunteers to help with the installation of the pavers alongside the existing ones. If you have a few hours you could spare, please call or email Denise so that we can make arrangements to finish of our beautiful entrance boarder. Remember, many hands make light work!!
Les Powell school Uniforms
If you would like to purchase any uniforms, please complete and return the order form and return to Les Powell School with payment.

Please contact Denise or Sharon if you require any information.

**PLEASE CHOOSE THE SIZE CAREFULLY, AS WE ARE UNABLE TO EXCHANGE OR REFUND ANY ITEMS ORDERED.**

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CHILD'S NAME: _________________ CLASS: _____________

PARENTS NAME: _________________ CONTACT NO. _________________

Date received: _________________ Date paid: _________________ Date Sent: _________________